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Bar 13 Ranch  
c/o Ross or Sue Goddard  
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Dear Ross and Sue,

The following letter will document your meeting with Ingrid Drieling and Mark Bonner on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and will serve as your Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) on the Agency Creek C&H and Pattee-Warm Springs C&H allotments for the 2015 grazing season. The authorized use for the Pattee-Warm Springs C&H and Agency Creek C&H allotments for cattle with 13 the brand will be as follows:

**Permitted Use**

<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Permittee</u>	<u>Number/Class</u>	<u>H.M.</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Agency Creek C&H	Ross Goddard	120 c/c	481	6/16-10/15
		120 c/c	NTE 480	5/1-9/15
Pattee-Warm Springs C&H	Ross Goddard	500 c/c	707	7/16-8/27
		500 c/c	NTE 588	5/1-9/15

**Authorized Use for the 2015 Grazing Season**

<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Permittee</u>	<u>Number/Class</u>	<u>H.M.</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Agency Creek C&H	Ross Goddard	150 c/c	242	7/15-9/1
		175 c/c	138	8/1-8/24
Pattee-Warm Springs C&H	Ross Goddard	475 c/c	250	7/1-7/16
		475 c/c	672	7/16-8/27



Pattee-Warm Springs C&H

<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Number/ Class</u>	<u>H.M.</u> BLM( <u>AUM</u> )	<u>Dates</u>	
Agency Creek C&H	Herd 1	Lower Cow (BLM)	175 c/c	(115)	5/1-5/20
		White/Sharky (BLM)	175 c/c	(236)	5/21-6/30
		Copper Queen (BLM)	175 c/c	(178)	7/1-7/31
		Agency Riparian (BLM)	175 c/c	(138)	8/1-8/24
		South (FS)	175 c/c	138	8/1-8/24
		Gould Basin (BLM)	175 c/c	(69)	8/25-9/5
		Upper Pattee (BLM)	175 c/c	(17)	9/6-9/8
		Home to Wean	n/a		9/1-9/15
		Tendoy/Rattlesnake (BLM)	150 c/c	(153)	5/1-5/31
	Herd 2	Gould Basin (BLM)	150 c/c	(49)	6/1-6/15
		North (FS)	150 c/c	328	7/15-9/1
		Gould Basin (BLM)	150 c/c	(49)	8/11-8/20
		Upper Pattee (BLM)	150 c/c	(59)	8/21-9/1
		Home to Wean	n/a		9/1-9/15
<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Number/ Class</u>	<u>H.M.</u> BLM( <u>AUM</u> )	<u>Dates</u>	
Pattee / Warm Springs C&H		Lower Pattee (BLM)	238 c/c	(125)	5/16-5/31
		Lower Warm Springs (BLM)	238 c/c	(125)	5/16-5/31
		Middle Pattee (BLM)	238 c/c	(235)	6/1-6/30
		Middle Warm Springs (BLM)	238 c/c	(235)	6/1-6/30
		Pasture Mountain (FS)	475 c/c Herds combined from BLM Lower Pattee and BLM Lower Warm Springs	672	7/1-8/27
		Railroad Tanker (FS)			
		Kenny Creek (FS)			
		Middle Mountain (FS)			
		Kenney Creek (BLM)			
		Home to Wean	n/a		8/28-9/15
		Upper Cow (BLM)	250 cows	(288)	9/16-10/20
		Sharky Flats (BLM)	200 cows	(230)	9/16-10/20
		Upper Pattee (BLM)	200 cows	(230)	9/16-10/20

Only cattle with the 13 brand are authorized to graze on the Agency Creek C&H and Pattee-Warm Springs Creek C&H allotments. The Annual Operating Instructions are made part of your Term Grazing Permit as per Part 2, Item 8(a) of the General Provisions and Regulations. Situations may develop during the grazing season which requires changes to these instructions. Dates listed in the authorized

use section may vary based on management needs or range readiness and proper use standards. **If changing unit move dates becomes necessary, or if you cannot comply with some part of these instructions, contact Sara Norman and obtain approval before initiating changes or deviating from these instructions.** Changes can be made based on resource objectives, provided the changes are first approved and documented by an authorized officer. Any extension of use beyond the permitted dates will not be authorized.

### **Allowable Use**

The allowable use standards for the Pattee-Warm Springs C&H and the Agency Creek C&H allotments are listed below. It is your responsibility to be aware and recognize utilization and alteration standards. You must move your livestock to the next unit planned, or off the allotment, when those standards have been met. If you need assistance determining utilization levels please contact Sara Norman and she will assist you. **Once cattle are removed from a unit in accordance with use standards and unit scheduling, they are not allowed to return. Please ensure you clean all livestock from your units.** The Forest Service is responsible for monitoring your compliance with allowable use standards. Monitoring typically occurs within two weeks of your unit move date. Please contact your Range Specialists if you would like to join them when monitoring your allotment.

### **Pattee-Warm Springs C&H**

Key Area Location # / Unit Name / Creek Name	Monitoring Attribute	Use Indicator
Riparian Sites	Use on the current year's growth of key riparian species	50% maximum
Upland Sites	Use of current annual growth of key herbaceous species	50% maximum

### **Agency Creek C&H**

Key Area Location # / Unit Name / Creek Name	Monitoring Attribute	Use Indicator
Riparian Sites	Use on the current year's growth of key riparian species	50% maximum
Upland Sites	Use of current annual growth of key herbaceous species	50% maximum

### **Actual Use and Improvement Maintenance Reports**

Your accurate documentation of actual use and maintenance is vital to the yearly allotment record. Numbers, move dates, riding and photos are all items used to compile End of Year reports written by your Rangeland Management Specialist. These reports are submitted yearly to the service agencies and published on the web.

Actual use and range improvement maintenance forms have been included for you to complete and return within 30 days of your off date.

### **Range Improvements**

Range improvements listed in Part 3 of your grazing permit **must** be maintained prior to livestock entering the allotment. Contact your Rangeland Management Specialist to discuss materials and supplies for any improvements that are in need of re-construction.

You were provided with an improvement list and map to document the condition of the Range Improvements on your allotment. Please complete the document and return it to your Rangeland Management Specialist.

The following improvements were discussed:

- Permanent photo plots in turn out pastures, along with some kind of cover monitoring ie. Line Point Intercept.
- The question was asked if they are going to do HAF Surveys?
- Lemhi Pass North Historic Landmark Fence – electric fence until fence can be made permanent.
- Mark with the BLM crew will be working on the Fence on Upper Pattee hip.
- Heavy duty clamps are needed at the Power Line Pond.
- Halfway down would like to GPS RR Tanker tank troughs and etc. Needs re-fenced and re-piped.

### **General Management**

The grazing fees for 2015 are the base rate of \$1.69 per head month. Payment of your grazing bill is due prior to your earliest turnout date.

The Salmon-Challis Travel Management Record of Decision was signed December 24, 2009. With the issuance of this decision, all roads and trails designated for motor vehicle use map (MVUM). As detailed in 36 CFR 261.13; 36 CFR 212.51a the prohibitions on motor vehicle use will not apply to motor vehicle use that is specifically authorized under a written authorization issued under Federal law or regulation. **Effective March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 the Salmon Challis National Forest requires a Vehicle Use Permit, signed by the District Ranger, for ALL closed roads or off road travel. This must be displayed in windshield for Trucks or carried on ATV's, UTV's and Motorcycles. Contact your Rangeland Management Specialist to obtain a Vehicle Use Permit for any closed road or off-road travel.** Motor vehicle use maps may be obtained at any Salmon-Challis Ranger District.

Approval of requests for personal convenience and resource protection nonuse is not automatic and the authorized officer should discuss the reasons for the nonuse request with the permittee. Requests for non-use must be done in writing and the approval of a request for non-use must be in writing by the authorized officer. Full or partial permittee convenience nonuse may be approved by the authorized officer for no more than three consecutive years and not more than four years in any ten year period.

Dead livestock must be moved at least 100 yards from water, roads, and trails.

Place salt at least ¼ mile from water sources and in areas lightly grazed to encourage an even distribution of utilization on the range.

Invasive weeds are becoming a serious threat to the welfare of our rangelands. Your assistance is needed to identify new outbreaks of weed populations and to prevent the establishment of weeds on the forest. We have implemented a Noxious Weed Free Hay order on our Forest. This will require any hay that is brought onto the National Forest to be certified free from noxious weeds.

If you spot a wild fire, report it immediately to the Central Idaho Interagency Dispatch Center in Salmon, ID at (208) 756-5157.

If you have any questions regarding any of the allotments for which you have permits, please call Sara Norman at (208) 768-2505 or myself at (208) 756-5247.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Jay Winfield*

JAY WINFIELD  
District Ranger

Encl: Improvement Maintenance and Actual Use Records